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Federal Opportunities

Early Reading First Program. *The Department of Education (DOED)* announces funds to support local efforts to enhance the oral language, cognitive, and early reading skills of preschool-age children, especially those from low-income families. Eligible applicants include for-profit organizations other than small businesses, faith-based and nonprofit organizations, special district governments, independent school districts, and institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is May 2, 2005. Approximately \$104 million is available to fund 23-139 awards, ranging from \$750,000–\$4.5 million. For further information, contact Rebecca Haynes at (202) 260-0968 or Rebecca.haynes@ed.gov; or go to: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/E4-3780.htm>.

District Opportunities

Youth Substance Abuse Prevention Program. *The Department of Health (DOH)/Addiction Prevention and Recovery Administration (APRA)/Office of Prevention and Youth Services (OPYS)* is soliciting applications to design and implement evidence-based substance abuse prevention programs, intervention, and service to science programs for youth, between the ages of 9 and 21. Grants will be awarded in four separate areas: Gender Specific, Peer Education and Leadership Development, Intervention and Outreach, or Service to Science Programs. Eligible applicants include nonprofit community and faith-based organizations, private nonprofits, as well as consortiums, collaborations and partnership groups if a Lead Agency is named in the application and

administers the grant. The deadline for applications is February 4, 2005. Funding for up to 14 grants is available. A pre-application conference is scheduled for January 11, 2005, 3:00 p.m., at 1300 First Street, NE, Third Floor. Applications may be obtained from DOH, 825 North Capitol Street, NE, Room 3125, Washington, DC 20002. The RFA is available on the Office of Partnerships and Grants Development website, <http://opgd.dc.gov/opgd/site/default.asp>, under the District Grants Clearinghouse. For further information, contact Linda Y. Fisher at (202) 442-5882.

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgd.dc.gov/>, click on District Grants Clearinghouse.

The DC Commission on the Arts & Humanities (CAH), Folk & Traditional Arts Mini Grants, January 6 and April 7, 2005.

The DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities (DCCAH), Small Projects Program (SPP), March 3 and June 2, 2005.

The Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

Foundation Opportunities

Cancer Survivorship. *The Lance Armstrong Foundation (LAF)* supports organizations that are

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serving the needs of cancer survivors as identified by the National Action Plan for Cancer Survivorship. The LAF seeks to help develop innovative projects that encourage survivors to live strong through the physical, emotional, and practical challenges of their survivorship. Grant applications will be considered in four subject areas: Cancer Pain, Palliative, and End-of-Life Care; Physical Activity and Nutrition; Survivorship Education; and Survivorship Support. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for receipt of Letters of Intent, accepted through an online application process only, is February 15, 2005. Approximately 30-40 implementation grants of up to \$20,000 per year for up to two years are available; approximately six evolution grants of up to \$100,000 over two years or \$150,000 over three years are available. For further information, go to: http://laf.org/Public_Health/Community_Program/.

Older Adult Access to Oral Care. *The ADA Foundation*, the charitable arm of the American Dental Association, announces funding to help improve older adults' access to dental care under its Access to Oral Care for Older Adults Grants Program. The program's objective is to stimulate the development of promising initiatives, reaching out to semi-dependent older adults with appropriate oral health education and treatment. Eligible applicants include community-based, nonprofit, oral health promotion programs in the U.S. The deadline for applications is January 31, 2005. Four or more grants of up to \$50,000 each are available. For further information, go to: <http://www.ada.org/ada/prod/adaf/index.asp>.

Vacant Property. *The National Vacant Properties Campaign, a partnership of Smart Growth America, the Local Initiatives Support Corporation, and the International City/County Management Association*, is offering a new service to localities to assist in defining practices, policies, and legislation that can help them address problems associated with vacant, blighted, and abandoned properties. The program will provide significant technical assistance from an experienced team of policy, legal, planning, and development professionals. Communities will be selected to receive technical assistance based on criteria such as the existence of a serious vacant properties problem and the presence of a local partnership of key stakeholders with significant

financial and human resources who are committed to tackling the problem. Eligible applicants can include a partnership of one or more of the following: local governments, nonprofit organizations, foundations, corporations, and/or intermediaries. The deadline for applications is January 14, 2005. Four to six selected communities will receive assistance worth \$30,000-\$70,000. For further information, eligibility requirements, and application procedures, go to: <http://www.lisc.org/>.

Women's Financial and Economic Independence. *Washington Area Women's Foundation (WAWF)* launched the first of three new funds as part of its multi-year Initiative to build the financial and economic independence of the region's low-income, women-headed families. The Financial Literacy & Wealth Creation Fund is designed to help low-income, women-headed families in the Washington Metropolitan Area obtain a base level of financial knowledge and increase their collective wealth by \$40 million in the next three years. The Jobs, Education & Training Fund and The Child Care & Early Education Fund will be launched later this year. Information sessions on the RFPs will be held in early January 2005. For further information and to have your name added to the invitation list, contact WAWF at info@wawf.org; or go to: <http://www.thewomensfoundation.org/getfunded/grant/index.html>.

Resources & Announcements

CHANGE OF ROOM LOCATION. **Inside Washington Grantmakers' Giving Report: Foundation Trends in the Washington Region.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* will host an information session on the size, scope, and priorities of the region's foundations. Katherine Jankowski, research director for the foundation section of the Washington Grantmakers' *2004 Region of Givers Report*, will lead this in-depth workshop on foundation movers and shakers in the Washington area. She will identify leaders, highlight foundations that have increased giving in recent years, and provide details on the more than \$542.5 million that foundations gave to nonprofit organizations in 2003. Attendees will receive a list of the Top 100 Foundations headquartered in the region. This session will take place on January 11, 2005, 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m., at

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One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, **Room 1107 South**, Washington, DC 20001. This event is free, but space is limited. To register by January 7, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900 or faith.jones@dc.gov.

Free Training Series for Nonprofits. *The Enhanced Business Information Center (e-BIC) and Southeastern University's Center for Entrepreneurship* will offer a set of three critical classes for nonprofits from January to March 2005. Classes include: How to Start a Nonprofit (January 12); Nonprofit Staff and Board Development (February 9); and Nonprofit Fundraising (March 9). All classes are taught by Telaekah Brooks, JD, from Southeastern University's Center for Entrepreneurship. Sessions take place from 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the e-BIC's Conference Room, MLK, Jr. Memorial Library, A Level, 901 G Street, across the street from Gallery Place and two blocks from Metro Center. Free parking is available in the library garage. For further information or to register, contact e-BIC at ebic@dc.gov or (202) 727-2241; or go to: <http://www.dclibrary.org/ebic/>.

Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD)* provides assistance to nonprofit and government representatives through a resource center at One Judiciary Square, 441 4th Street, NW, Suite 200 South. The primary focus of the GIRC is to assist emerging and small nonprofits that either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to identify grant, capacity building, and other related resource information online. Featured in the GIRC are four workstations with funding research databases and access to the Internet. The Center also has a small library of printed materials. Access to the GIRC is free of charge but requires an appointment. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

Networking Night. *The Foundation Center (FC)* will host a Networking Night. This is an opportunity to meet your colleagues in the DC area nonprofit community. FC staff members will be on hand to share their favorite tips and resources. Bring your organization's promotional material and plenty of business cards. There will be refreshments and door prizes. This free event will take place at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor,

Washington, DC, 5:00–6:30 p.m., on January 11, 2005. For further information or to register, call (202) 331-1400; or go to: <http://www.fdncenter.org/washington/networkdc.html>.

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